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the organization of Polish Air Force Weather Service

there
was at least one forecaster at each air base. There might be
only one at the smaller bases, whereas there would be several
assigned to the larger bases. the only training
the weather personnel received consisted of an on-the-job training
program.

2. weather training.

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[REDACTED]

The courses at ground school covered the basic principles of weather, fronts, atmosphere, weather map reading, etc.

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3. [REDACTED] minima for normal operation (ceiling and visibility).

The absolute minima were a 200-meter ceiling and 2 km visibility. If the weather was below these minima, landing aircraft were told to proceed to another base where the weather was known to be better. However, landings were sometimes made when the weather was below the minima, but only when the ground controller authorized them.

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The only procedure in the event of bad weather was either to store the aircraft in hangars or to cover them up. [REDACTED] no special cold weather procedure for starting or flying the MIG-15. This plane started at temperatures as low as -85°C. 1.

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When the surface winds were such that there was a crosswind of more than 15 knots the field was closed.

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No specific weather flights were made in the squadron. Pilots reported the weather as they encountered it during their flights.

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Before a flight each pilot visited the weather office where he was given a card which described the weather prevailing in the area in which he was to fly. The weather information was written out

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Comment: The figure -85°C seems highly improbable

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